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Re: Inventors: FISCHER, Achim, et al.
Invention: PROCESS FOR PREPARING CYANOPYRIDINES AND
SUITABLE CATALYSTS THEREFOR
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PATENT APPLICATION STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir/Madam:

The above-referenced patent application was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office via Express Mail on February 2, 2006. The official Filing Receipt for this application was mailed on March 5, 2007. The Notice of Publication of Application was received and the

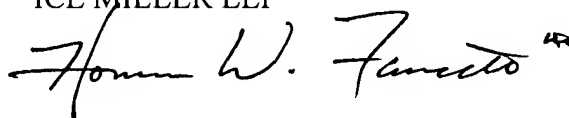
application was published on May 24, 2007. The Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) was mailed July 20, 2006 and our Response to Notification of Missing Requirements was submitted on January 9, 2007 and the return postcard confirmed receipt by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 16, 2007. Because we have not yet received any further communications from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, an Office Action or a Notice of Allowance has not been issued, we request your assistance in verifying the status of this application.

Applicants believe that there is no fee due for this status inquiry; however, if any such fee is due, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 09-0007.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (317) 236-2120. Thank you for your assistance and prompt attention to our inquiry.

Respectfully submitted,

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